

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS)
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF COLUMBIA) CASE NO. 94-179-R
GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC.)

ORDER

On November 1, 1994, in Case No. 94-179, the Commission approved certain adjusted rates for Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Columbia) and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with its gas cost adjustment (GCA) clause.

On April 29, 1999, Columbia filed its GCA to be effective June 1, 1999 to August 31, 1999.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Columbia s notice proposed revised rates designed to pass on its expected increased wholesale gas costs to its customers. Columbia s proposed expected gas cost (EGC) for the quarter beginning June 1, 1999 is \$4.0832 per Mcf, an increase of 13.43 cents per Mcf from Columbia s last EGC.

2. Columbia s notice set out a rate for Banking and Balancing Service of 2.05 cents per Mcf.

3. Columbia s notice set out no take-or-pay refund adjustment.

4. Columbia s notice set out no transportation take-or-pay refund adjustment.
5. Columbia s notice set out a current quarter refund adjustment (RA) in the amount of .1 cent per Mcf to return to its customers \$15,745 in refunds, including interest. The total RA of .91 cent per Mcf reflects the current RA as well as previous quarter adjustments, and represents a .01 cent per Mcf decrease from the total RA last approved for Columbia.
6. Columbia s notice set out its annual actual cost adjustment (ACA) of 4.98 cents per Mcf to collect under-recovered gas cost from the twelve months ended June 30, 1998, which remains unchanged from the prior rate.
7. Columbia s notice set out its six-month balancing adjustment (BA) of 2.81 cents per Mcf to reconcile variances from previous refund and balancing adjustments. This rate remains unchanged from the prior rate.
8. Columbia s notice set out a Special Agency Service refund adjustment of .01 cent per Mcf, which remains unchanged from the prior rate.
9. The combined effect of the above adjustments is Columbia s gas cost recovery rate (GCR) of \$4.1519 per Mcf, which is 13.33 cents per Mcf more than its previous GCR of \$4.0186 per Mcf.
10. The rate adjustments in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved for gas supplied on and after June 1, 1999.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and are effective for gas supplied on and after June 1, 1999.

2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Columbia shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of May, 1999.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN
CASE NO. 94-179-R DATED MAY 27, 1999

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE BILLING RATES

	<u>Base Rate Charge</u>	<u>Gas Cost Demand</u>	<u>Adjustment Commodity</u>	<u>Total Billing Rate</u>
<u>SCHEDULE GSR</u>				
First 1 Mcf or less per mo.	\$8.10	\$1.5196	\$2.6323	\$12.2519
Over 1 Mcf per mo.	2.1800	1.5196	2.6323	6.3319
<u>RATE SCHEDULE GSO</u>				
Commercial or Industrial				
First 1 Mcf or less per mo.	22.00	1.5196	2.6323	26.1519
Next 49 Mcf per mo.	2.1800	1.5196	2.6323	6.3319
Next 350 Mcf per mo.	2.1149	1.5196	2.6323	6.2668
Next 600 Mcf per mo.	2.0149	1.5196	2.6323	6.1668
Over 1000 Mcf per mo.	1.8409	1.5196	2.6323	5.9928
<u>Delivery Service</u>				
Administrative Charge	65.00			65.00
<u>Standby Service Demand Charge</u>				
Demand Charge Times Daily Firm Vol. (Mcf) In Customer Service Agreement		8.6504		8.6504
<u>Delivery Rate Per Mcf</u>				
First 400 Mcf per mo.	2.1149			2.1149
Next 600 Mcf per mo.	2.0149			2.0149
All Over 1000 Mcf per mo.	1.8409			1.8409
Former IN8 Rate	1.0575			1.0575
Banking and Balancing Service		0.0205		0.0205

RATE SCHEDULE IS

<u>Customer Charge per mo.</u>	\$135.79			\$135.79
First 30,000 Mcf	.6368		2.6323*	3.2691
Over 30,000 Mcf	.3384		2.6323*	2.9707

Standby Service Demand Charge

Demand Charge Times Daily Firm Vol. (Mcf) in Customer Service Agreement		8.6504		8.6504
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Delivery Service

Administrative Charge	65.00			65.00
First 30,000 Mcf	.6368			.6368
Over 30,000 Mcf	.3384			.3384
Banking and Balancing Service		.0205		.0205

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For All Volumes Delivered Each Month	.3539	1.5196	2.6323	4.5058
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Delivery Service

Administrative Charge	65.00			65.00
Delivery Rate per Mcf	.3539	1.5196		1.8735
Banking and Balancing Service		0.0205		0.0205

Mainline Delivery Service

Administrative Charge	65.00			65.00
Delivery Rate per Mcf	0.1000			0.1000
Banking and Balancing Service		0.0205		0.0205

RATE SCHEDULE IN6 INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL

Commodity Charge	1.7363	1.5196	2.6323	5.8882
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RATE SCHEDULE IN7 SMALL COMMERCIAL

Commodity Charge	.5924	1.5196	2.6323	4.7443
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*IS customers may be subject to the demand gas cost, under the conditions set forth on Sheets 14 and 15 of this tariff.